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Attorney Docket No. 4189.0079.03000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In redApplication of

Rudolf HAUPTMANN et al.

Serial No. 08/383,676

Filed: February 1, 1995

For: TNF RECEPTORS, TNF BINDING) PROTEINS AND DNAS CODING

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION AFTER FINAL <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a)</u>

Applicants request the above-identified application be examined according to the procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a). This application meets the criteria set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) since it has a filing date of February 1, 1995, and claims the benefit of an application filed in the United States on April 20, 1990, and it is accompanied by a fee of \$770.00 as required by § 1.17(r). A petition for a four month extension of time to file an Appeal Brief and the requisite fee are filed headwith. A fee of \$418.00 for 19 extra claims is also enclosed. (After the amendments below, there will be a total of 42 claims and four independent claims. Applicants have already paid for three extra total claims and two extra independent claims.)

Applicants hereby request that the following amendments be entered and considered by the Examiner. Applicants also request reconsideration and an area area of

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